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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed July 23, 2004, Applicants resubmit the amendments as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

The Remarks section begins on page 5 of this paper.